Unit 2 – Early Civilizations

Lesson 1 – Transition to Civilization

Essential Questions: What role did natural resources and geography play in the development of civilization?

Vocabulary

Neolithic –

Domestication of plants and animals -

Tigris and Euphrates River –

Indus River -

Yellow River –

Çatal Höyük (Cha tel hoo-yook) –

Jericho –

Harappa (h*uh*-**rap**-*uh* ) and Mohenjodaro (moh-**hen**-joh-**dahr**-oh) –

Specialization -

Trade –

Mesopotamia –

Sumerians –

City-states –

Irrigation –

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Lesson 2 –Characteristics of Civilization

Essential Question – How is it possible for different people to interpret a historical event differently?

Brain storm – Read this definition of CIVILIZATION.

“A relatively high level of cultural and technological development; specifically **:**  the stage of cultural development at which writing and the keeping of written records is attained.”

Turn to you neighbor and brain storm what cultural and technological developments you think the definition is referring to.

CIVILIZATION

Sumerian Inventions

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| **Invention** | **Material** | **Impact** |
| Plow |  |  |
| Irrigation |  |  |
| Chariot/cart |  |  |
| Writing |  |  |
| Laws |  |  |
| Religion |  |  |
| Arts |  |  |
| Wheel |  |  |
| Arch |  |  |

Sumerian Vocabulary

Ziggurat –

Polytheistic –

Lyre-

Cuneiform –

Pictographs –